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COTTON IN PUNJAB, INDIA

Irrigated cotton in Punjab, India, is reported to be average to good and unirrigated cotton generally below average, according to a cablegram received from the International Institute of Agriculture at Rome. Damage by floods and insects is reported from some districts. Picking has commenced and will continue until January. Punjab produces on an average about 8 per cent of the cotton crop for all India. About 75 per cent of the area under cotton in this province is irrigated.

CURRENT MARKET CONDITIONS

German hog prices continued the decline noted last week during the week ended September 26, according to information cabled by L. V. Steere, American Agricultural Commissioner at Berlin, the price at that city being \$14.96 per 100 pounds compared with \$15.77 the previous week, and \$14.85 for the corresponding week of 1927. The average for September, while 45 cents under the average for August, is still about 58 cents above the average for September 1927. Hog receipts were somewhat lower than the previous week and the corresponding week of 1927. Lard prices at Hamburg declined from \$15.52 to \$15.13 per 100 pounds, against an average for September of \$15.31, which is 20 cents higher than the average for September 1927. See table, page 561.

In the British bacon market, Danish Wiltshire sides at Liverpool declined slightly during the week ended September 26, Canadian Wiltshires being again not quoted, according to cabled advices from J. A. Foley, American Agricultural Commissioner at London. The Danish average, at \$24.33 per 100 pounds, was about 87 cents below the average for August, but \$1.52 higher than the corresponding week of 1927. The average for September, however, is about 22 cents under the average for September 1927. See table, page 561.

Butter prices in the principal European markets were generally a shade lower on September 27 than a week earlier, according to cabled information from American Agricultural Commissioners in London and Berlin. The Copenhagen official quotation was equivalent to 40.1 cents on that date against 40.8 cents the previous Thursday and 39.7 cents a year ago. In London, unsalted Colonial butter was the only description that did not show a corresponding slight decline. Meanwhile, 92 score butter in New York also declined from 48 1/4 to 48 cents against 49 cents a year ago. The present eight cent margin in favor of domestic prices is thus about the same as that of recent weeks and at this season of last year. For detailed comparative price statement, see page 561. See also page 529 for statement on foreign dairy conditions.

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B R E A D G R A I N SWheat production in 1928

The 1928 wheat production in 31 Northern Hemisphere countries is now reported at 3,194,470,000 bushels, an increase of 6.6 per cent over the 2,996,189,000 bushels produced in these countries in 1927, when they represented nearly 85 per cent of the estimated world crop outside of Russia and China. The second estimate of the crop in England and Wales is 45,360,000 bushels, and increase of 523,000 bushels over the previous estimate, but 7,756,000 bushels or nearly 15 per cent below the 1927 production. The revised estimate of the German crop is 126,465,000 bushels. An unofficial estimate of production of wheat in France published in the "Bulletin des Halles" places the 1928 crop at 281,013,000 bushels as compared with their final estimate of 292,293,000 bushels in 1927. During the past six years the estimates of the "Bulletin des Halles" have ranged from 100.3 per cent of the final official estimate in 1925 to 115.9 per cent in 1922. The final official estimate of the 1927 crop was 276,128,000 bushels. Commercial Attache Julian E. Gillespie reports that the 1928 wheat crop in Turkey is 25 per cent shorter than the 1927 harvest. Inasmuch as the 1927 crop was short and there is no carryover, it would not be surprising if the 1928 crop is short 45 per cent of normal production. A number of tests have been carried on by the Pæfect of Constantinople with the view of making a standard loaf of bread from a mixture of different kinds of flour. See tables, pages 553 and 554.

Foreign crop conditionsEurope

Some rain fell over northwestern Russia and central and northern Europe, being heaviest in Poland, the Baltic countries, Yugoslavia and northern Italy, according to a cable to the Foreign Service of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics from Agricultural Commissioner L. V. Steere at Berlin. Elsewhere in Europe, especially in France, there are complaints of drought. Early in the season the condition of the grain crops in northwestern Europe gave indications of a below average crop, but now unofficial estimates have been raised and in Sweden an above average crop is expected. Recent trade estimates place the French wheat crop at 267,000,000 bushels against the official estimate of 276,000,000 bushels in 1927. The grain trade believes the Rumanian wheat estimate of 130,512,000 bushels is far too high and there is also some belief that the Italian and Danubian crops have been overestimated, particularly from the export standpoint in the latter region.

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Southern Hemisphere

Seasonable weather prevailed in Argentina during the week ended September 24, according to reports received by the United States Weather Bureau. The temperature averaged 1° above normal in the northern wheat districts and 2° above in the southern districts. The rainfall was 0.1 inch below normal in the north and 0.1 inch above in the south. The first official estimate of the 1928-29 wheat area is 20,757,000 acres against 19,714,000 acres in 1927-28. This is the largest wheat acreage reported in Argentina.

Movement to marketUnited States

Exports of wheat and flour from the United States from July 1 to September 22 were 37,139,000 bushels against 66,541,000 bushels during the same period last year. Exports during the week ended September 22 were 5,940,000 bushels against 5,224,000 bushels the previous week and 6,006,000 bushels during the corresponding week last season.

Canada

Stocks of wheat in store in the Western Grain Division of Canada on September 21 were 32,327,000 bushels against 16,323,000 bushels on September 14 and 12,507,000 bushels on September 23, 1927. All previous records of deliveries at country elevators are being broken and deliveries during the week ended September 14 were 22,140,000 bushels. Receipts at Fort William-Port Arthur during the week ended September 21 were 11,270,000 bushels against 2,743,000 bushels during the corresponding week last year. Shipments from Fort William-Port Arthur were 6,350,000 bushels against 1,300,000 during the corresponding week last year. Stocks in store at Fort William-Port Arthur on September 21 were 9,887,000 bushels against 6,138,000 bushels a year ago. The elevator capacity this year at the head of the lakes is 26,365,000 bushels. The Dominion Department of Marine has suggested that east-bound vessels carrying grain should leave the head of the lakes not later than December 5. Receipts and shipments from Vancouver were practically equal during the week ended September 21, being 521,000 bushels and 511,000 bushels respectively. Elevator storage at Vancouver has been increased to 10,675,000 bushels.

European grain market conditions

European grain markets although opening with improved business were rather uncertain during the week ended September 25, according to available

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to the Foreign Service of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics from American Agricultural Commissioner L. V. Steere at Berlin. Spot prices of near position grain were firm at the beginning but closed weaker. Wheat prices at Hamburg advanced 2 cents per bushel during the week to \$1.35 on September 26, and rye prices at Berlin advanced 1 cent to \$1.27 per bushel.

Russian grain procurements during the first half of September were 682,000 short tons against 937,000 short tons last year, according to a cable from Mr. Steere. Collections during the third five days have shown increases over those of the first ten days, now amounting to 70 per cent of last year's collections against 65 per cent during the first ten days. The eastern regions (Siberia, Kazakhstan, Ural, etc.) are to furnish 38 per cent of the total 1928-29 collections, against 20 per cent last year. Reports from these regions indicate that the grain is damp. The Russian paper, "Economic Life", of September 8, states that the share of the southern regions (Ukraine, Crimea and North Caucasus) in the total grain-forage balance decreased from 31.1 per cent in 1927-28 to 26.9 per cent this year, while the eastern regions (Siberia and Kazakhstan) increased from 11.1 per cent in 1927-28 to 15.8 per cent this year. Reports from the Ukraine, according to Mr. Steere, are becoming more pessimistic. The crop there, which involves 620,000 farms and 3,000,000 peasants, is considered to be about half of last year's crop, or practically a failure, and food help is said to be necessary in some parts of the country. The grain crop in the Central Agricultural Region, mainly a winter rye and oats section, is also considered unfavorable, according to this same paper, and is increasing the strain on the grain market in the consuming areas. Recent developments point to a possibility of Russia importing more grain and earlier than last season, which might lead to a further revision of the foreign trade policy.

United States wheat prices

Cash prices of wheat showed an upward trend during the week ended September 21. The weighted average cash price of all classes and grades at the six principal markets advanced one cent to \$1.08 per bushel as compared with \$1.26 a year ago. No. 2 hard winter at Kansas City and No. 2 soft red winter at St. Louis each advanced two cents to \$1.07 and \$1.45 per bushel respectively as compared with \$1.29 and \$1.40 respectively a year ago. No. 1 dark northern spring and No. 3 amber durum at Minneapolis each advanced three cents to \$1.26 and \$1.07 respectively as compared with \$1.34 and \$1.22 respectively a year ago. That the weighted average price rose no more than it did is due largely to the large sales of durum wheat at Minneapolis and especially at Duluth. The price of western white wheat at Seattle remained unchanged during the week until September 21, when it advanced three cents, bringing the weekly average of cash quotations to approximately \$1.16 per

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bushels compared with \$1.15 the week before. The slight upward trend of prices has continued since September 21. The spread between the cash closing prices at Minneapolis and Winnipeg remained unchanged at nine cents in favor of Minneapolis during the week as compared with a spread of five cents in favor of Winnipeg a year ago.

WHEAT: Weighted average cash price at stated markets

Week ended	All classes and grades six markets:		No. 2 Hard Winter: Kansas City:		No. 1 Dk. N. Spring: Minneapolis:		No. 2 Amber Durum: Minneapolis:		No. 2 Red Winter: St. Louis:	
	1927	1928	1927	1928	1927	1928	1927	1928	1927	1928
	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
Aug. 24	137	108	137	104	149	123	143	109	146	137
31	134	110	132	106	144	122	134	109	143	144
Sept. 7	133	110	132	106	143	125	135	104	145	147
14	128	107	129	105	136	123	126	104	142	143
21	126	103	129	107	134	126	122	107	140	145
28	127		131		136		123		143	
Oct. 5	126		132		133		122		149	
12	128		131		136		126		147	
19	126		129		137		124		142	

WHEAT: Closing prices of September and December futures

Date	Chicago		Kansas City		Minneapolis		Winnipeg		Liverpool		Buenos Aires	
	1927	1928	1927	1928	1927	1928	1927	1928	1927	1928	1927	1928
	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
Aug. 23	134	112	129	103	136	110	b/145	b/114	b/139	b/130	143	112
30	134	110	127	103	133	109	b/141	b/111	b/138	b/131	b/140	b/114
Sept. 6	133	110	127	103	132	108	b/140	b/111	b/135	b/130	b/142	b/114
December futures												
13	130	113	123	107	129	110	129	110	151	129	t/138	c/110
20	129	115	123	109	127	112	128	112	150	121	c/134	b/110
27	130	118	125	112	126	115	131	115	152	135	c/135	b/113
Oct. 4	132		126		129		131		152		c/131	
11	134		125		128		131		152		c/131	
18	125		120		123		127		151		c/130	

a/ Prices are as of day previous to date of other market prices.
b/ October future. c/ November future.

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The advance in future closing prices of wheat during the last part of the week ended September 20 continued into the following week. With September futures at Chicago closing at around 119 cents per bushel during the first three days of the week following September 20, they dropped slightly the day following, strengthened again on September 26, and closed at 118 1/2 cents September 27. Contributing factors to stronger prices apparently were stronger prices at Liverpool, firm prices at Winnipeg, and somewhat larger exports of wheat from the United States. Closing prices of December futures on September 27, as compared with prices on September 20, were three cents higher at Chicago, Kansas City and Minneapolis, and four cents higher at Liverpool, but were two cents lower at Winnipeg. The closing price at Chicago was 118 cents, as compared with 170 last year. The Liverpool December option closed at 135 cents, or 17 cents under last year's price. October futures at Buenos Aires advanced three cents to 113 cents on September 26, as compared with a week before.

Rye production

Rye production in 20 Northern Hemisphere countries is reported at 339,609,000 bushels against 790,779,000 bushels in 1927, when they produced nearly 90 per cent of the estimated world crop outside of Russia and China. The 1927-29 acreage in Argentina is estimated at 1,155,000 acres against 295,000 acres in 1927-28. Both the area and production of rye in Argentina have been steadily increasing and the greater part of the crop is exported. Out of 6,614,000 bushels produced in 1927, over 5,000,000 bushels were exported. See tables on pages 553 and 554.

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Barley

Total production of barley in 1928 for the 29 countries so far reported, which in 1927 raised 75 per cent of the Northern Hemisphere crop, now stands at 1,303,021,000 bushels, an increase of 18.3 per cent over that of last year. The earlier estimate of barley production in England and Wales has been raised more than 1,000,000 bushels to 44,847,000 bushels, which is 11.5 per cent more than the harvest of the preceding year. The earlier estimate of the 1928 barley crop in Germany has been increased upwards of 2,000,000 bushels to 134,762,000 bushels, which is more than 7 per cent above that of last year. This raises the total for the 20 European countries already reported, which last year produced 82 per cent of the crop for all Europe, to 615,364,000 bushels, 10 per cent more than in 1927.

The second official estimate of the acreage sown to barley in Argentina is 31,000 acres greater than the first, or 1,277,000 acres, an increase

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of 7.7 per cent over that sown last year and the largest area on record there. For detailed tables on acreage and production, see pages 555 and 557.

In Manitoba 40 to 45 per cent of the new crop barley had been threshed by the middle of September, in Saskatchewan 50 per cent had been completed, while in Alberta from 30 to 35 per cent of the barley had been through the machines.

Stocks of barley in store in the Western Grain Inspection Division of Canada on September 21 stood at 6,520,000 bushels against 1,374,000 on the same date last year. Offerings were fairly liberal, the receipts during the week amounting to 5,654,000 bushels, while the demand for barleys of all grades was fairly steady, the lower grades being especially wanted. Total receipts of barley at Fort William, Port Arthur, and Vancouver since August 1 have totaled 4,723,000 bushels, compared with shipments of only 2,268,000 bushels.

The condition of barley in Denmark improved steadily during the period from the first of July to the beginning of September, being 5 or 6 per cent above the average of the past ten years on September 1. Old crop feed barley there about the middle of September was reported as very dull, but the price had also declined noticeably.

Total exports of barley from the United States, Canada, Argentina, and the Danubian countries from July 1 to the latest dates available have amounted to about 29,200,000 bushels, almost 28 per cent more than for the same periods last year. Barley exports from the United States for the week ended September 22 were 3,362,000 bushels, the largest weekly export for several seasons. Prices were slightly above those for the greater part of the time since the middle of August, the average price of No. 2 barley at Minneapolis for the week of September 21 being 63 cents per bushel, .2 cents above the price for the preceding week, but 10 cents below the price for the corresponding week last year. For detailed figures on barley trade, see page 558.

Oats

The 1928 production of oats in 25 countries, which last year raised more than 81 per cent of the Northern Hemisphere crop, now totals 3,193,266,000 bushels, an increase of 11.6 per cent over that for the same countries last year. The first estimate of the 1928 oats crop in England and Wales has been raised by more than 600,000 bushels to 95,420,000 bushels, an increase of 1.5 per cent over that of 1927. The earlier estimate for Germany has been increased by approximately 2,700,000 bushels to

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426,007,000 bushels, which is still 2.6 per cent below last year's harvest. The earlier Hungarian estimates have been revised upward slightly to 23,238,000 bushels. Production for the 19 European countries reported has been increased, therefore, to 3,193,266,000 bushels, 11.6 per cent more than for the same countries in 1927.

The second official estimate of the area sown to oats in Argentina is nearly 400,000 acres above the first estimate, or 3,599,000 acres, which is almost 14 per cent above the sowings for last year, and the largest acreage on record there. For detailed tables on acreage and production, see pages 555 and 557.

The condition of oats in Denmark improved steadily during the period from July 1 to September 1, being equal to the average of the past ten years on the latter date.

In Manitoba 40 to 45 per cent of the new crop oats had been threshed by the middle of September, giving promise of an average of about 40 bushels to the acre. In Saskatchewan there has been some frost damage, which will reduce grades, but which will not especially affect yields except for late feeding oats. About 35 per cent of the oats had been threshed there by the middle of September, while in Alberta about 35 per cent had been completed.

Stocks of oats in store in the Western Grain Inspection Division of Canada on September 21 were 1,985,000 bushels against 1,212,000 bushels at the same time last year. Oats were in good demand during the week, but the offerings were limited, the receipts during the week amounting to only 867,000 bushels. Total receipts of oats at Fort William, Port Arthur, and Vancouver since August 1 have totaled only 1,207,000 bushels compared with shipments of 2,724,000 bushels.

The combined exports of oats from the United States, Canada, Argentina, and the Danubian countries from July 1 to the latest dates available total 12,236,000 bushels, a third more than for the same periods last year. The export of 756,000 bushels of oats from the United States for the week ended September 22, while slightly below exports for the preceding week, is much larger than most of the weekly exports during the last few years. For detailed figures on oats trade, see page 558.

United States oats prices, which dropped so rapidly from the end of May to the middle of August, have been gradually increasing again to the level at which they stood at the beginning of August. The average price of No. 3 white oats at Chicago for the week ended September 21 was 42 cents per bushel, 1 cent more than for the preceding week, but 7 cents below the price for the corresponding week last year.

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Corn

Production of corn in 7 countries so far reported, which last year raised 33 per cent of the Northern Hemisphere total, amounts to 3,157,060,000 bushels, 4.6 per cent more than for the same countries in 1927, and 3.4 per cent more than in 1926. The United States is the only country showing a marked increase over the production of earlier years, while in the most important corn producing countries of Europe there are decreases in the crops being harvested on account of the drought. For detailed figures on corn acreage and production, see page 556.

An unofficial report from Rumania states that the government estimate of 139,000,000 bushels of corn for the 1928 crop is too high. The writer believes that there will not be more than 103,500,000 bushels produced, and that with a consumption of 138,000,000 bushels there would be a deficit of 34,500,000 bushels. He does not believe that much corn will be imported, however, but thinks that the surplus supplies of wheat and barley will be used to make good the deficit.

Net exports of corn from the United States, the Danubian countries, Argentina, and the Union of South Africa from November 1 to the latest dates available amount to 292,710,000 bushels, more than 14 per cent below the exports for the corresponding periods the preceding year. The export of 62,000 bushels of corn from the United States for the week ended September 22 is the smallest of the present season with the exceptions of the weeks of July 16 and September 15. Corn exports from Argentina continue heavy, being more than 6,000,000 bushels for the week of September 22, more than 8,000,000 bushels for the week of September 15, and more than 7,000,000 for the week of September 7. For table showing corn trade, see page 558.

Prices of No. 5 yellow corn at Chicago for the week ended September 25 rose to almost \$1.05 at the beginning of the week, then fell steadily to below 96 cents a bushel. During the same week the price of Argentine corn as cabled from Buenos Aires rose gradually from 86 to almost 88 cents a bushel, thus decreasing the spread between the United States and the Argentine corn from about 18 to a little more than 8 cents. Last year the spread at the same time was about 21 cents.

RICE

The 1928 rice crop in Spain is estimated at 785,125,000 pounds produced on 117,000 acres, according to a cable from the International Institute of Agriculture at Rome. This is a decrease of 9 per cent from the 1927 crop, which was estimated at 421,134,000 pounds from 120,000 acres. Part of the decrease is due to the smaller acreage but the crop suffered from drought during August.

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TOBACCOChinese cigarette business shows improvement

The cigarette business showed a distinct improvement in Northern China in August and September as a result of the quieting down in military operations, according to a cable to the Foreign Service of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics from Agricultural Commissioner Paul O. Nyhus, at Shanghai. The business, however, is still handicapped by the crippling of the already inadequate transportation facilities, due to the taking of a good deal of rolling stock by the retreating Northerners into Manchuria. It is reported, however, that the Manchurian authorities have promised to return some of the rolling stock and in view of the recent developments this may occur at an early date and help business materially. Efforts of the Nanking authorities to introduce the 20-1/2 per cent consolidated cigarette tax, which has proved satisfactory to all concerned in the South of China, has met with resistance on the part of the tax collecting bureaus of the various military factions. At present a dealer tax of about 40 per cent is general in the North. In Manchuria the cigarette business gains steadily. Better quality and higher priced cigarettes are sold there, due to the fact that it is a wealthier country. The cigarette business in China has demonstrated its vitality during the past two years by its persistence and recovery under taxation and other difficulties, so that the outlook is encouraging if order is restored, states Mr. Nyhus.

Production of tobacco in Ontario, Canada

A decrease of about 6,000,000 or 7,000,000 pounds is expected in this year's tobacco crop of southwestern Ontario, according to a report from Consul Paul C. Squire at Windsor on September 18, 1928. Southwestern Ontario comprises the bulk of Canadian tobacco acreage, about 30,000 acres of a total of 44,000 acres in 1927. The decreased production is attributed to the reduction of acreage in those districts where tobacco growing expanded last year, with the consequent overproduction and marketing difficulties. The diminished yield this year is for the most part in the Burley type, which constitutes the bulk of Ontario production, 22,385,000 pounds, out of a total of 35,622,000 pounds in 1927, and which largely accounted for the expansion of tobacco acreage and production in that year. This year's Burley crop is estimated in the neighborhood of 15,000,000 pounds. Flue-cured tobacco is expected to yield about 7,500 pounds as against 6,200,000 pounds last year, but a part of this year's crop has been damaged by excessive rainfall. There will be about 6,000,000 pounds of dark tobacco, as against 7,000,000 pounds last year. About one-third of the dark tobacco is of the fire-cured type.

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Turkish tobacco crop reduced

A smaller tobacco crop is expected this year in Turkey, due to a reduction of acreage, according to the monthly circular of the Ottoman Bank for July-August 1928. The 1928 production is not expected to exceed 77,000,000 pounds as against 121,000,000 pounds in 1927, according to this source. This year's reduction of acreage is attributed by the Bank to the bad market for the previous crop when many stocks were sold at a loss.

SUGAR

The estimated world production of raw sugar for the season just ended is now estimated at 27,987,000 short tons, or 6 per cent above the crop of 26,409,000 short tons produced in 1926-27. The crops produced during the past year surpasses also the record crop of 27,727,000 short tons produced in 1925-26. The large crop produced during the 1927-28 season is mostly accounted for by the beet sugar crop, which totaled 9,778,000 short tons compared with 8,455,000 short tons produced during the previous season. In spite of the crop restriction in Cuba, the cane sugar crop was well above that of 1926-27, but fell about 500,000 short tons below the record crop produced during the 1925-26 season. Among cane sugar producing areas, the total production in North, Central and South America and the West Indies fell below that of 1926-27, while Asia, Africa, and Oceania produced crops above the previous season. World production of sugar is summarized on page 552.

The Secretary of Agriculture of Cuba reports that 15,330,000 short tons of sugar cane were left uncut in the fields during the 1927-28 sugar campaign, according to a trade paper. It is estimated that this amount of cane would produce roughly 1,680,000 short tons of raw sugar. The figure does not include uncut cane for a few of the larger mills nor burned or damaged cane, according to the report.

FRUIT, VEGETABLES AND NUTS

m THE BRITISH APPLE MARKET: Most of the American barreled apples offered for sale on the Liverpool auction on Wednesday, September 26, were of the "Virginia Early Export" grade and the demand in general was moderate to good, according to a cable received in the Foreign Service of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics from Mr. Edwin Smith, the Department's Fruit Specialist in Europe. Supplies of Virginia Yorks, Bonum and Jonathans were liberal,

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but only light supplies of other barreled varieties were available. Boxed apples in general were only in light to moderate supply, and the demand for most of the stock was good to active. See Foreign Service release, F.S./A-184, September 28, 1928.

CANADIAN APPLE CROP LARGER THIS YEAR: The Canadian commercial apple crop outlook, based on conditions prevailing September 1, indicates a yield of 2,965,000 barrels compared with 2,811,000 barrels in 1927, or an increase of 5 per cent over last year. However, the crop is about 5 per cent below the five-year average of 1923-27. Apples generally promise to be of good size, with color prospects fair to good. British Columbia maintains the lead with a heavy crop, which is 36 per cent above that of last year and 37 per cent above the five-year average. In the Okanagan District, the principal producing section of British Columbia, high temperatures prevailed during the greater part of August, and while a plentiful supply of irrigation water maintained splendid growth, color has not developed to the extent expected, particularly on the earlier varieties. Apple scab is only slightly in evidence in British Columbia. The Eastern Provinces have a much less favorable crop outlook and production is expected to be 20 per cent below the five-year average.

BRITISH FRUIT CROP PROSPECTS: The apple crop of England is variable but on the whole is not above medium, according to the September 3 report of the British Ministry of Agriculture. The fruit is clean and of good color and although small in many places, was swelling rapidly. Of the dessert fruits, Allington Pippin and Cox's Orange Pippin were light to fair and Blenheim Orange fair to good. Cooking apples were fair to average, Lord Derby fair, Lane's Prince Albert and Newton Wonder light, Bramley's Seedling light generally but average in places. Cider apples were small but of good quality with the crop light to moderate generally. Pears appeared light to fair with Williams, Conference and Louise Bonne of Jersey generally fair. Plums are fair but of good quality. Gages are light and Damsons poor generally.

SPANISH ONION SHIPMENTS: A total of 947 cases, 74,447 half-cases and 250,763 crates of Grano onions are scheduled to reach the New York market from Spain during the week ending October 7, according to a cable just received in the Foreign Service of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics from Consul Clement S. Edwards at Valencia. This represents an aggregate of approximately 281,000 bushels, and if shipments arrive as indicated will undoubtedly constitute one of the largest quantities of Spanish onions reaching the New York market within the period of one week. With these shipments the total movement of Grano onions to the American market from the beginning of the grano season late in July to September 28 amount to 1,297 cases, 130,378 half-cases, and 507,847 crates, or approximately 603,000 bushels. Shipments during the corresponding period last year amounted to 1,059 cases, 85,387 half-cases, and 251,410 crates, or approximately 293,000 bushels.

FOREIGN DAIRY CONDITIONS

European butter markets continued firm during September as anticipated in reviews of recent months. Total supplies reaching Great Britain and Germany were materially lighter during August than July, with those from the Southern Hemisphere continuing as yet in about the same small volume. As affecting foreign competition with United States markets, the remarkably good demand from Germany during the year to date is now superseded by the prospective heavy supplies from the countries of the Southern Hemisphere as of most significance in the present situation.

Comparative prices in foreign and domestic markets are now much the same as a year ago. Our import trade in the various dairy products was on the whole somewhat lighter in August this year, than last, with heavier imports of cheese but much lighter imports of cream. Exports of condensed milk were materially heavier.

UNITED STATES: Imports and exports of dairy products, August, 1927, and July and August, 1928

Item	Unit	Imports			Exports		
		1927 August	1928 July	1928 August	1927 August	1928 July	1928 August
Butter ...	Lbs.	207,719	217,439	156,172	312,250	291,938	333,163
Cheese ...	"	3,429,640	5,936,720	5,597,491	251,071	172,422	214,848
Condensed milk ..	"	230,773	179,990	292,283	7,770,607	8,191,065	9,588,875
Milk	Gals.	417,746	649,497	400,457	5,152	18,730	8,652
Cream	"	765,172	454,077	339,759			

Record season of butter imports into Germany

Foreign demand from Germany was actively maintained during August, as it has been throughout this season. As shown below, since early spring imports of butter into Germany have exceeded those of the corresponding months of any preceding season since post-war importations reached a new high level.

GERMANY: Imports of butter by months, April-August, 1924-28

Year	April 1,000 lbs.	May 1,000 lbs.	June 1,000 lbs.	July 1,000 lbs.	August 1,000 lbs.
1924	9,145	11,136	6,431	10,540	11,467
1925	15,659	19,686	17,687	19,059	22,921
1926	18,519	16,535	18,078	20,062	20,944
1927	18,214	19,012	16,094	24,251	22,046
1928	19,400	21,605	19,180	29,542	24,251

FOREIGN DAIRY CONDITIONS, CONT'D

German butter market reviews indicate that a continuation of strong foreign demand is to be expected, and that as the domestic output declines with the advance of the season, the price situation in the German markets will be increasingly determined by conditions outside Germany. It is suggested that since the heavy supplies of this season from Denmark and the Baltic States have thus far met with such strong demand, the now diminishing exports from those countries will be absorbed at still better prices. The arrival in British markets of supplies from the Southern Hemisphere appears to be the only development in prospect that may cause a weakening of European markets.

Butter imports lighter and prices higher in Great Britain

Imports of butter during August totalled 65,570,000 pounds against 67,894,000 pounds in July of this year. As compared with August of last year this is an increase, however, of 27 per cent in volume of imports. While the price of best Danish has advanced more during September this year than last, Colonial butter has remained unchanged as compared with an advance of several cents over that transition period of last year. Cheese imports were heavier than July and a year ago, owing to the considerably increased Canadian supplies now arriving in Great Britain supplemented by well-maintained New Zealand shipments. August imports totalled 36,834,000 pounds against 25,002,000 pounds in July and 32,439,000 pounds in August, 1927.

GREAT BRITAIN: Imports of butter and cheese, by countries, August, 1927, and July and August, 1928

Commodity and country	August, 1927	July, 1928	August, 1928
<u>BUTTER</u>	<u>1,000 pounds</u>	<u>1,000 pounds</u>	<u>1,000 pounds</u>
Russia	7,960	8,029	8,513
Finland	1,040	2,294	2,287
Sweden	1,066	1,860	2,611
Denmark	17,794	21,064	22,582
Netherlands	1,365	2,680	1,405
France	1,307	2,220	1,415
United States	---	---	---
Argentina	153	433	449
Irish Free State	9,711	10,824	9,530
Australia	1,741	7,894	5,308
New Zealand	8,330	4,894	8,570
Canada	---	112	---
Others	1,624	5,703	2,899
Total	52,091	67,894	65,570
Total Jan. 1 to date ..	463,027	438,188	503,758

FOREIGN DAIRY CONDITIONS, CONT'D

GREAT BRITAIN: Imports of butter and cheese, by countries,
August, 1927, and July and August, 1928, cont'd.

Commodity and country	August, 1927	July, 1928	August, 1928
<u>CHEESE</u>	<u>1,000 pounds</u>	<u>1,000 pounds</u>	<u>1,000 pounds</u>
Netherlands	1,337	1,724	1,944
Italy	726	1,164	1,366
United States	54	36	80
Australia	626	---	2,140
New Zealand	16,553	19,570	11,997
Canada	12,520	11,650	18,414
Others	563	829	893
Total	32,439	25,002	36,834
Total Jan. 1 to date	221,854	196,321	233,154

Prospects for record dairy season in Australia

At the close of the third consecutive year of comparatively light dairy production in Australia, indications are that the 1928-29 season may prove to be one of the periodic record years. The seasonal years of peak production within the dairy region of Australia as a whole have tended, over a long period, to be separated by intervals of three or four years. Australia's record production and exportation of butter to date was reached four years ago when in 1924-25 the surplus amounted to 145 million pounds, or twice as much as in either of the last two years. This volume of export was reached after an interval of three years following the previous record of 127 million pounds in 1921-22. On the basis of such tendency, it would be reasonable to expect that the 1928-29 season might prove to be one of much heavier output than that of recent years. And as the new season opens, conditions appear generally ideal for pasture growth and for its utilization by well-wintered cows. The past season, although unfavorable as a whole was so much improved generally by "sub-soil rains" during the last months as to provide unusually well for feed during the winter months of June, July, and August.

Conditions very favorable for new season in New Zealand

Dairy production in New Zealand during the seasonal year ended July 31, 1928, exceeded by 2.6 per cent the record output of the preceding season, notwithstanding the midseason drought which for several months of the year just closed seriously retarded pasture growth. This increase was the more notable because of the remarkable increase of 10.5 per cent in the previous season as compared with 1925-26. The new season now opening is in every way favorable to heavy production, according to latest available information. An editorial in the New Zealand Dairyman of August 20 refers to the "exemplary winter" just ended, as "mild to a degree and accompanied by an almost uninterrupted growth of grass promising an opening of the new season under the best of conditions."

THE FOREIGN PORK SITUATION

Evidence of reduced numbers of hogs in most European countries of importance in the international pork trade is accumulating. The July census of hogs in Denmark indicates a reduction of 10 per cent in the number of hogs as compared with the corresponding census last year. Previous reviews have pointed out reductions in hog numbers in Germany and the Netherlands. In the United Kingdom the June census showed an increase over 1927 of 6 per cent in the total number of swine, but a decrease of 5 per cent in brood sows. Large supplies of cured and fresh pork characterize the British market at present. The September price of Danish bacon in Liverpool averaged 3 per cent under August. In Germany the Hamburg lard market was higher in September. The price of hogs in Berlin showed a decline as compared with August, but was slightly above the September 1927 average. See tables on page 534 and following.

Great Britain

Larger domestic marketings of hogs, increased receipts of British and Irish pork at London Central markets, and increased imports of bacon were the outstanding features of the British pork situation in August. The heavier pork supplies were reflected in the decline in the price of Danish Wiltshire sides at Liverpool from an August average of \$25.20 per 100 pounds to \$24.44 during September. Imports of bacon from all sources except Canada were larger in August than in July and have been exceeded in the present season only in March. Total imports of bacon for the season November to August reached 840,000,000 pounds, an increase of 8 per cent over the corresponding period in 1926-27, and 14 per cent over the average of the five preceding seasons. Increased takings from Denmark and other Continental countries account for the larger total as imports from the United States and Canada show a considerable decline. Imports of ham also showed an increase in August over July and the total for the season through August was slightly above 1926-27, although 34 per cent below the average imports for the five preceding seasons. Stocks of ham, bacon and shoulders at Liverpool reflect the larger August imports, standing at 5,391,000 pounds at the end of the month against 3,799,000 on July 31 this year and 3,960,000 pounds on August 31, 1927.

While bacon supplies showed an increase, lard supplies fell off during August and lard prices in Great Britain advanced. Lard imports in August totaled 21,844,000 pounds against 24,677,000 pounds in August. The total imports for the season, however, continue well above the preceding season and stocks of refined lard at Liverpool at the end of August, while below July 31, were 30 per cent higher than on August 31 last year.

Germany

The price of hogs in Berlin averaged \$15.89 per 100 pounds in September compared with \$16.34 in August and \$15.31 in September last year. Receipts of hogs at 14 German markets averaged 74,000 weekly during September,

THE FOREIGN HOG SITUATION, CONT'D

an increase of 5,000 over the August average, but about the same as in September, 1927. Feed prices in Germany are higher than last year. The average price of potatoes in Breslau was 94 cents per 100 pounds in August against 62 cents last year, while barley averaged \$2.32 per 100 pounds in Leipzig against \$2.23 in August, 1927.

Bacon imports into Germany were smaller in August than in July or in August 1927, and the total imports for the season from November to August, 1927-28, reached only 6,870,000 pounds against 11,912,000 in the corresponding period of 1926-27. Imports of lard into Germany were larger in August than in the preceding month and August 1927, but the imports from November to August totaled only 156,480,000 pounds against 190,261,000 pounds during the same months in 1926-27. The price of lard at Hamburg averaged \$ 15.31 per 100 pounds in September against \$14.22 in August and \$15.11 in September last year.

Denmark

Swine in Denmark on July 16, 1928 numbered 3,360,000, a decrease of 10 per cent compared with the same time in 1927. The number of swine in Denmark reached the 3,000,000 mark in 1926 and has been above that number since. The decrease compared with last year had been anticipated as the result of the 19 per cent increase in slaughter during the period July 1927 to June 1928 over the preceding year, and the fact that the number of brood sows last year showed practically no increase over the number kept the preceding year. The July 1928 returns show a 13 per cent decrease in sows over 4 months, and 8 per cent decrease in fat hogs over 4 months, a 7 per cent reduction in pigs 2 to 4 months and a 14 per cent reduction in pigs under 2 months. Exports of bacon from Denmark for the season November to August, 1927-28, totaled 503,000,000 pounds, an increase of 17 per cent over last season for the same period, which in turn showed an increase of almost 40 per cent over the same months of 1925-26.

United States and Canada

Stocks of lard in the United States at the end of August amounted to 173,000,000 pounds, a reduction of 27,000,000 pounds compared with July, but 7 per cent above the amount on hand on August 31, 1927. Inspected hog slaughter also fell 15 per cent to 2,545,000, which is the smallest number slaughtered in any month since September 1927. Slaughtering for the season November to August, however, was 11 per cent above last season, while lard exports during the same period were only 8 per cent greater and the exports of bacon, hams and shoulders 9 per cent greater. Bacon exports to the United Kingdom for the season November to August were 10 per cent less than in the preceding season, while exports of lard were 15 per cent larger. In the case of Germany, on the other hand, exports of bacon increased 20 per cent, while lard shipments declined 9 per cent.

Slaughter of inspected hogs in Canadian establishments was lower in August than for any month since June 1923. Slaughter for the season through August, however, was about 2 per cent above the preceding season.

HOGS AND PORK PRODUCTS: Indices of foreign supplies and demand
(The preceding compilation of this material appeared on page 319 of Vol. 17)

Country and item	Unit	November to August					
		1909-13 to 1913-14 average	1922-23 to 1926-27 average	1924-25	1925-26	1926-27	1927-28
<u>United Kingdom:</u>							
<u>Production -</u>							
Fat pigs at certain mkts.	1,000's	493	421	523	401	442	525
Supplies of British and Irish pork at London Cen- tral Markets.	1,000 pounds		28,739	26,376	16,991	45,700	64,589
<u>Imports-</u>							
<u>Bacon -</u>							
Denmark	"	205,138	360,336	357,981	329,257	447,534	516,669
Irish F.State	"	-	a/ 43,104	44,136	40,753	34,430	45,773
United States	"	155,043	160,846	140,454	122,261	68,264	54,079
Canada	"	37,121	87,909	123,816	88,415	52,412	32,830
Others	"	34,841	66,986	37,587	93,004	174,937	190,480
Total	"	432,143	719,396	703,974	673,690	777,577	839,831
Hams, total ..	"	82,750	138,718	151,153	120,420	90,807	91,982
Lard, total ..	"	171,274	229,873	226,040	220,109	211,709	247,050
<u>Stocks - b/</u>							
Ham, bacon and shoulders, Liverpool, end of month.	"				5,601	6,763	4,861
Lard, refined Liverpool, end of month.	"		c/ 4,753	7,381	4,783	4,503	6,337
<u>Denmark:</u>							
<u>Exports-</u>							
Bacon	"		357,171	351,795	329,607	450,932	509,366
<u>Canada:</u>							
<u>Slaughter-</u>							
Hogs, inspected	1,000's	1,417	2,163	2,441	2,026	2,175	2,218
<u>Germany:</u>							
<u>Production-</u>							
Receipt of hogs at 14 cities	"		c/ 2,037	2,123	2,088	2,817	3,507
Slaughter of hogs at 36 centers	"	a/ 3,682	c/ 2,326	2,583	2,687	3,304	4,364
<u>Imports-</u>							
Bacon, total.	1,000 pounds	a/ 2,129	32,591	20,537	16,710	11,912	6,780
Lard, total .	"	a/ 162,697	199,654	206,236	173,321	190,281	156,480

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HOGS AND PORK PRODUCTS: Indices of foreign supplies, and demand,
continued

Country and Item	Unit	November to August					
		1909-10 to 1913-14 average	1922-23 to 1925-27 average	1924-25	1925-26	1926-27	1927-28
United States:							
~~Slaughter~~ -							
Hogs, inspected:	1,000's	27,328	40,716	40,193	35,220	37,580	41,893
Exports -							
Bacon -	1,000						
U. Kingdom . . .	pounds	110,932	90,818	80,169	73,462	42,246	37,680
Germany	"	1,239	29,392	13,065	11,005	6,413	7,728
Total	"	149,740	202,833	146,380	152,754	89,036	105,025
Hams and shoulders,							
total	"	140,845	220,481	221,736	171,735	112,360	113,843
Lard -							
U. Kingdom . .	"	148,244	197,265	183,642	200,051	178,562	204,569
Germany	"	114,925	214,063	173,212	168,411	150,626	136,828
Total	"	396,621	692,864	598,542	593,046	564,889	612,080
Stocks - b/							
Lard in cold storage, end of month . .	"		97,909	120,794	68,015	104,054	142,768

a/ Four year average. b/ Figures for stocks are averages, not accumulative totals.
c/ November and December 1922 not available.

HOGS AND PORK PRODUCTS: Indices of foreign and domestic prices,
averages for the periods shown
(In dollars per 100 pounds)

Item	August 1909-13 average	August 1923-27 average	August 1927	July 1928	August 1928
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
Hogs, Chicago	8.00	10.04	9.03	10.65	11.53
Corn, No. 3, Chicago . .	1.25	1.77	1.95	1.89	1.82
Hogs, heavy, Berlin . .	12.31	16.29	14.63	14.78	16.34
Potatoes, Breslau	.33	a/ .51	.62	.51	.94
Barley, Leipzig	1.72	a/ 2.03	2.23	2.56	2.32
Lard -					
Chicago	10.89	15.53	12.54	14.00	14.70
Liverpool	12.10	15.76	13.85	13.71	13.94
Hamburg	-	17.53	14.19	14.45	14.92
Wiltshire sides--					
Liverpool -					
American	b/	c/ 20.11	b/	b/	b/
Canadian	15.67	21.99	19.34	22.69	d/ 21.87
Danish	16.62	25.28	21.34	24.66	25.20

a/ Four-year average. b/ No quotation. c/ Three-year average. d/ First three weeks only.

BROOD SOWS: Numbers in important European countries in 1928
with comparisons a/

Country	Month	1924	1925	1926	1927	1928
		Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands
England and Wales	June	449	316	301	393	380
Ireland	June	109	86	110	149	138
Scotland	June	24	16	18	27	23
Total	June	582	413	429	569	541
Denmark, sows 4 months and over	July	299	290	391	396	344
France	Dec. <u>b/</u>	737	779	777	776	785
Germany -						
Six months to 1 year	Dec. <u>b/</u>	--	462	479	625	<u>c/</u> 504
One year and over ..	Dec. <u>b/</u>	--	813	882	1,126	<u>c/</u> 1,218
Total Germany		--	1,275	1,361	1,751	1,722
Hungary	Spring	552	602	547	531	579
Rumania	Dec. <u>b/</u>	1,003	1,042	1,017	1,086	1,217

a/ Includes countries reporting for 1928 only.

b/ Countries reporting as of December have been considered as of January 1, of the following year.

c/ Brood sows 6 months to 1 year as of June 1, 1928 numbered 706,000 and sows over 1 year 1,149,000 according to the new mid-year official estimate. Owing to seasonal changed this estimate is probably not strictly comparable with figures for December 1 of the preceding year.

DENMARK: Number of livestock on July 16, 1928
with comparisons

Classification	1914	1926	1927	1928
	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands
Cattle, total	2,717	2,838	2,913	3,021
Cows and heifers which have calved	--	1,480	1,514	1,548
Heifers which have not calved	--	499	495	530
Calves under 1 year	--	705	770	798
Swine, total	2,715	3,122	3,731	3,360
Sows 4 months and over	--	391	393	344
Hogs 4 months and over	--	648	795	732
Pigs 2 - 4 months	--	1,055	1,350	1,255
Pigs under 2 months	--	1,010	1,170	1,011
Horses	605	548	525	518

DENMARK: Hog slaughter in export houses by months 1924-1928

Month	1924	1925	1926	1927	1928
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Number</u>
January	361,801	343,993	284,500	384,030	494,325
February	295,637	305,915	300,141	345,277	477,029
March	323,934	369,861	334,305	478,263	456,235
April	373,523	332,503	289,252	379,619	463,878
May	332,059	294,360	271,108	424,148	497,374
June	222,980	323,953	317,974	483,086	415,436
January-June ...	2,099,924	1,970,575	1,797,280	2,494,423	2,804,277
July	355,074	311,096	285,620	380,662	
August	712,327	258,469	319,501	441,973	
September	543,545	288,516	334,444	439,098	
October	341,741	311,741	323,750	423,085	
November	332,684	271,124	372,193	446,151	
December	323,633	354,608	404,878	472,814	
Total	4,024,038	3,766,129	3,837,666	5,098,206	

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DENMARK: Monthly bacon exports in 1928 with comparisons

Month	1925	1926	1927	1928
	<u>1,000 pounds</u>	<u>1,000 pounds</u>	<u>1,000 pounds</u>	<u>1,000 pounds</u>
January	40,103	32,783	44,572	54,002
February	33,735	33,103	42,179	50,310
March	41,876	36,789	49,449	56,028
April	35,962	31,370	39,303	50,682
May	23,818	29,094	49,555	52,009
June	39,398	33,810	49,691	50,332
July	37,149	33,542	47,279	46,680
August	38,728	34,879	47,009	a/ 46,919
January - August ...	230,769	255,370	369,037	406,962
September	36,673	34,274	47,374	
October	35,526	37,860	46,129	
November	31,316	38,943	45,999	
December	32,921	42,952	56,405	

Official sources.

a/ Preliminary.

SWINE: Numbers in certain important European countries reporting at the beginning or in the early summer of 1928 with comparisons a/

Country	Month of estimate	Average 1909-1913 b/ Thousands	1925 Thousands	1926 Thousands	1927 Thousands	1928 Thousands
England and Wales	June	2,390	2,644	2,200	2,692	2,967
Scotland	June	150	154	145	197	194
Ireland	June	1,261	844	1,043	1,414	1,400
Total	June	3,801	3,642	3,388	4,303	4,561
Denmark	July	2,715	2,517	3,122	3,731	3,360
Belgium	Dec. c/	1,533	1,139	1,152	1,144	1,124
France	Dec. c/	7,529	5,802	5,793	5,777	6,019
Germany	Dec. c/	22,533	16,895	16,200	19,424	d/22,899
Hungary	Spring	3,322	2,633	2,520	2,387	2,662
Rumania	Dec. c/	3,262	3,133	3,088	3,163	3,076
Total above count.		44,695	35,761	35,263	39,934	43,701
Estimated European total		88,200				

a/ This table includes only countries reporting for 1928.

b/ Five-year average except in cases of most countries having changed boundaries where estimate is for one year only within this period.

c/ Countries reporting as of December have been considered as of January 1 of the following year.

d/ Estimate for June 1, 1928 is 20,168,000 according to new official mid-year hog census. Owing to seasonal changes the figures are probably not strictly comparable with the December 1 estimate for the preceding year.

CANADA: Cold storage holdings of meat, September 1, 1928 with comparisons

Commodity	September 1, 1928	August 1, 1928	September 1, 1927	5-year average 1927
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
Beef	8,063	7,841	9,662	9,819
Veal	1,196	1,195	1,271	--
Total	9,259	9,036	10,933	9,819
Pork	31,560	39,976	32,132	31,368
Mutton and lamb	631	531	535	597

Dominion Livestock Branch Markets Intelligence Service, Ottawa, Canada, August 1928.

CANADA: Exports of domestic livestock and meats, August and 8 months, 1928 with comparisons

Kind of livestock and country of destination	August		8 months January-August	
	1927	1928	1927	1928
Cattle to Great Britain Number	--	--	405	8,263
United States "	14,021	25,082	49,229	78,421
Total	14,465	25,438	59,727	80,451
Calves to the United States .. "	7,607	8,342	57,761	59,667
Total	7,637	8,401	58,065	59,906
Hogs to the United States .. "	7,383	643	143,919	19,645
Total	7,587	699	145,671	21,965
Sheep to the United States . "	815	995	1,832	4,546
Total	969	1,077	2,560	5,091
Bēef to Great Britain..1,000 pounds	--	--	a/	570
United States . " "	5,263	6,573	22,375	26,172
Total	5,609	6,720	26,083	28,023
Bacon to Great Britain . " "	4,526	3,280	36,688	26,986
United States . " "	213	176	2,556	2,514
Total	4,795	3,521	39,722	29,986
Pork to Great Britain .. " "	700	183	6,128	1,479
United States .. " "	571	835	10,002	4,163
Total	1,407	1,092	17,621	6,802
Mutton to Great Britain " "	--	--	---	10
United States " "	37	21	131	78
Total	50	40	331	277

Dominion Live Stock Branch Markets Intelligence Service, Ottawa, Canada, August 1928. a/ Less than 500.

CANADA: Inspected slaughter during August and for the first 8 months of 1928 with comparisons

Kind of animal	August		Eight months January - August	
	1927	1928	1927	1928
	Number	Number	Number	Number
Cattle	66,070	67,076	404,441	408,441
Calves	42,540	37,516	316,287	322,871
Total	108,610	104,592	720,728	731,312
Swine	161,474	139,512	1,656,582	1,544,889
Sheep	59,505	62,408	215,483	206,428

Dominion Livestock Branch Markets Intelligence Service, Ottawa, Canada, August, 1928.

INDEX NUMBERS INDICATING VOLUME OF AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS FOR AUGUST 1928

The August index number of all principal agricultural exports amounted to 75 as compared with 105 and 94 during August 1926 and 1927 respectively. This figure indicates about the usual seasonal improvement over the preceding month, but is low in comparison with any corresponding month of the last 14 years. Reduced exports of cotton, pork, lard and tobacco all contributed to lower the index.

Cotton exports were lower than for any month since July 1925. Grains and grain products showed considerable improvement over July of this year, a result of the marketing of the new wheat crop, but with the exception of 1926, exports were lower than for any August since 1917. Meats and meat products, while a little better than the same month a year ago, were also low in comparison with preceding seasons. The index of unmanufactured tobacco was 82, or lower than for any August during the last 10 years. Dairy products were better than for the two preceding months and showed an advance over the same month of 1926 and 1927. Fruits and vegetables made a record export for this season of the year, reflecting a heavier foreign demand for fresh apples, dried apricots, prunes and raisins.

AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS: Index numbers, a/ August 1928, as compared with previous months.

Commodity	August 1926	August 1927	June 1928	July 1928	August 1928
All commodities	105	94	76	64	75
All commodities except cotton ..	171	155	91	84	126
Grains and products	315	273	99	81	188
Animal products	101	84	94	94	92
Dairy products and eggs	222	241	225	208	266
Cotton including cake and oil ..	54	47	61	46	35
Fruits and Vegetables	156	185	135	161	200
Cotton Fiber, including linters	55	48	65	49	37
Wheat, including flour	395	313	92	80	164
Tobacco	83	88	94	62	82
Hams and bacon	100	58	82	89	86
Lard	138	129	135	134	128

Compiled from official records of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce. a/ July 1909 - June 1914 = 100. Volume of monthly exports of each commodity weighted by one-twelfth of the average annual export value in the base period, 1909-10 to 1913-14. See "Foreign Crops and Markets," Vol. 11, No. 24, December 14, 1925.

UNITED STATES: Exports of principal agricultural products,
July-August, 1927 and 1928

Article exported	Unit	July-August		Value	
		Quantity		1927	
		1927	1928	1927	1928
		Thousands	Thousands	1,000 dollars	1,000 dollars
LIVE ANIMALS:					
Cattle-					
Bulls for breeding.....	No	a/	a/	19	29
Cows for breeding.....	No	1	1	66	65
Other cattle.....	No	1	a/	40	23
Poultry, live.....	lb	78	51	39	30
DAIRY PRODUCTS:					
Butter.....	lb	624	625	275	290
Cheese.....	lb	482	387	146	119
Milk-					
Condensed.....	lb	6,248	6,258	973	994
Evaporated.....	lb	10,565	11,322	1,121	1,126
Powdered.....	lb	478	884	144	204
Eggs in the shell.....	doz	3,704	2,781	814	327
MEATS AND MEAT PRODUCTS:					
Beef, canned.....	lb	377	330	129	118
Beef and veal, fresh.....	lb	266	371	57	74
Beef, pickled or cured....	lb	3,176	2,228	348	263
Total beef.....	lb	3,819	2,929	535	456
Bacon.....	lb	17,154	22,523	2,568	3,445
Canned pork.....	lb	1,268	938	544	365
Pork carcasses, fresh.....	lb	250	263	37	40
Hams and shoulders.....	lb	21,372	26,959	4,144	5,464
Loins and other fresh pork	lb	606	1,103	103	179
Pickled pork.....	lb	5,933	6,109	818	925
Sides, Cumberland.....	lb	2,302	1,056	386	200
Sides, Wiltshire.....	lb	171	156	30	30
Total pork.....	lb	48,336	59,177	8,630	10,646
Mutton and lamb.....	lb	410	462	95	101
Poultry & game, fresh.....	lb	170	330	44	96
Other canned meats, incl. canned poultry.....	lb	583	275	207	85
Sausage, canned.....	lb	465	246	127	79
Sausage, not canned.....	lb	723	500	217	157
Sausage casings.....	lb	5,722	5,023	1,079	1,223
Other meats, inc. meat ex- tracts & edible offal...	lb	5,416	7,002	609	712
Total meats.....	lb	63,247	75,949	11,543	13,562
OILS AND FATS, ANIMAL:					
Lard.....	lb	97,723	103,598	13,235	13,641
Lard compounds.....	lb	1,232	395	144	89
Lard, neutral.....	lb	2,510	3,439	361	472
Oleo oil.....	lb	11,792	10,341	1,501	1,321
Oleo stock.....	lb	1,726	1,302	204	151

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UNITED STATES: Exports of principal agricultural products,
July-August, 1927 and 1928 continued

Article exported	July-August				
	Quantity		Value		
	Unit	1927 Thousands	1928 Thousands	1927 1,000 dollars	1928 1,000 dollars
OILS AND FATS, ANIMAL, CONTINUED					
Total stearins and fatty acids.....	lb	2,342	2,833	231	269
Tallow.....	lb	1,266	1,017	100	87
Other animal oils, greases and fats.....	lb	12,822	9,738	1,087	869
Total oils and fats....	lb	131,478	132,913	16,855	16,899
Coffee, total.....	lb	1,357	533	431	183
Cotton (500 lb).....	bale	713	611	61,824	64,914
Linters (500 lb).....	bale	41	20	956	726
FRUITS:					
Apples, fresh.....	box	480	547	1,267	1,336
Apples, fresh.....	bbl	63	53	330	257
Apples, dried.....	lb	727	1,208	75	142
Apricots, dried.....	lb	6,278	8,314	1,036	1,290
Oranges.....	box	674	331	2,879	2,235
Prunes, dried.....	lb	10,156	16,382	619	1,029
Raisins.....	lb	18,078	23,136	1,362	1,511
GRAIN, FLOUR AND MEAL:					
Wheat.....	bu	51,814	14,547	46,502	18,582
Wheat flour.....	bbl	1,840	1,579	12,650	10,229
Wheat, including flour....	bu	40,461	21,938	59,152	28,811
Corn, incl. cornmeal.....	bu	1,192	1,909	1,289	2,162
Rye, including flour.....	bu	1,633	904	1,772	1,022
Barley, excl. flour.....	bu	6,424	10,582	6,779	9,714
Oats, incl. oatmeal.....	bu	2,616	2,846	1,707	1,538
Buckwheat, incl. flour...	bu	1	5	2	8
Rice, incl. flour, meal and broken rice.....	lb	18,675	31,612	730	1,053
OILSEED PRODUCTS:					
Cottonseed cake & meal...	lb	76,583	2,031	1,417	42
Linseed cake and meal....	lb	111,541	99,611	2,299	2,268
Cottonseed oil, crude....	lb	3,353	586	268	49
Cottonseed oil, refined..	lb	1,855	1,607	205	186
Sugar.....	s. ton	34	24	2,681	1,755
TOBACCO LEAF:					
Bright flue-cured.....	lb	25,670	24,233	7,603	6,780
Burley.....	lb	2,339	904	337	175
Dark-fired Ky. and Tenn..	lb	14,735	12,302	2,508	2,187
Dark Virginia.....	lb	5,919	4,798	1,372	1,306

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UNITED STATES: Exports of principal agricultural products,
July-August, 1927 and 1928, continued

Article exported	Unit	July-August		Value	
		Quantity		1927	
		1927	1928	1927	1928
		Thousands	Thousands	1,000 dollars	1,000 dollars
TOBACCO LEAF, CONT'D					
Maryland & Ohio export....	lb	2,338	979	403	253
Green River (Pryor).....	lb	2,155	391	184	69
One Sucker leaf.....	lb	1,906	707	203	114
Cigar leaf.....	lb	24	93	24	61
Black fat water baler and dark Africa.....	lb	89	299	18	60
Other leaf tobacco.....	lb	867	911	246	214
Total leaf tobacco.....	lb	56,042	45,617	12,958	11,217
Stems, trimmings, scrap, etc.	lb	1,103	1,463	60	47
VEGETABLES:					
Beans & peas, dried.....	bu	104	95	349	328
Potatoes, white.....	bu	857	1,276	1,278	839
MISC. VEGETABLE PRODUCTS:					
Glucose.....	lb	21,000	14,211	671	514
Hops.....	lb	412	135	94	33
Starch, corn.....	lb	39,852	34,909	1,241	1,205
GRAND TOTAL.....				197,854	170,338

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a/ Less than 500.

UNITED STATES: Imports of principal agricultural products,
July-August, 1927-28 and 1928-29

Article imported	Unit	July-August		Value	
		Quantity		1927-28	
		1927-28	1928-29	1927-28	1928-29
		Thousands	Thousands	1,000 dollars	1,000 dollars
ANIMALS AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS					
LIVE ANIMALS:					
Cattle.....	No	48	67	1,697	3,811
Horses.....	No	a/	a/	254	149
Sheep.....	No	1	a/	13	8
DAIRY PRODUCTS:					
Butter.....	lb	572	374	193	146
Casein.....	lb	3,832	5,883	560	716
Cheese.....	lb	9,933	11,534	2,941	3,230
Cream.....	gal	1,510	824	2,269	1,321
Milk, sweet, sour, etc....	gal	881	1,050	134	176

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UNITED STATES: Imports of principal agricultural products,
July-August, 1927-28 and 1928-29 - Continued

Article imported	July-August				
	Quantity		Value		
	Unit	1927-28	1928-29	1927-28	1928-29
		Thousands	Thousands	1,000 dollars	1,000 dollars
DAIRY PRODUCTS - Continued					
Eggs and egg products -					
Eggs in the shell.....	doz	24	25	8	6
Whole eggs, dried.....	lb	51	1,160	20	663
Whole eggs, frozen.....	lb	186	10,286	28	1,588
Yolks, dried.....	lb	775	1,262	366	582
Yolks, frozen.....	lb	12	1,911	2	355
Egg albumen, dried.....	lb	753	571	454	290
Egg albumen, frozen.....	lb	137	543	21	82
Hides and skins, total.....	lb	92,710	97,230	22,203	28,966
MEAT AND MEAT PRODUCTS:					
Beef and veal, fresh.....	lb	7,734	10,637	1,088	1,397
Beef and veal, pickled or cured.....	lb	b/	2,597	b/	302
Mutton and lamb, fresh.....	lb	363	186	47	23
Pork, fresh.....	lb	692	1,531	126	289
Hams, shoulders & bacon...	lb	b/	248	b/	99
Pickled, salted and other pork.....	lb	b/	290	b/	116
Silk, raw.....	lb	13,753	13,186	73,626	65,836
Wool, unmanufactured, total	lb	31,889	32,761	9,087	9,990
Honey.....	lb	6	8	1	3
Sausage casings, total.....	lb	3,003	3,086	2,056	2,013
VEGETABLE PRODUCTS					
Cacao beans.....	lb	53,421	59,210	8,172	7,509
Coffee.....	lb	237,381	230,678	40,861	50,485
Cotton (478 lb).....	bale	62	46	6,916	6,156
FRUITS:					
Bananas.....	bunch	12,319	13,224	6,826	7,223
Currants.....	lb	984	1,065	70	97
Dates.....	lb	434	2,082	32	74
Figs.....	lb	32	52	2	4
Lemons.....	lb	21,010	6,886	582	311
Pineapples, fresh.....	lb	c/	c/	47	29
Raisins.....	lb	76	2	7	a/
Olives.....	gal	540	1,467	534	1,004
GRAIN & GRAIN PRODUCTS:					
Corn.....	bu	1,869	156	1,292	173
Oats.....	bu	9	308	3	219
Wheat, including flour....	bu	1,317	3,957	1,966	4,631
Rice-					
Uncleaned.....	lb	307	57	19	3
Cleaned.....	lb	3,057	3,607	123	160
Patna.....	lb	6	110	a/	7
Flour, meal & broken....	lb	1,329	129	14	6

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UNITED STATES: Imports of principal agricultural products,
July-August, 1927-28 & 1928-29 - Contd

Article imported	Unit	July - August			
		Quantity		Value	
		1927-28	1928-29	1927-28	1928-29
		Thousands	Thousands	1,000 dollars	1,000 dollars
Nuts, total		c/	c/	3,124	3,754
Oilcake and meal	lb	34,371	52,657	599	1,022
OILS, VEGETABLE:					
Chinese wood	lb	13,903	20,877	2,052	2,512
Cocoa butter	lb	5	0	2	0
Coconut, product of Philippine Islands	lb	38,467	32,210	2,927	2,542
Linseed	lb	70	35	7	3
Olive, edible, total	lb	12,476	13,173	3,160	2,339
Olive, inedible, total	lb	7,984	8,177	809	647
Palm kernel	lb	7,642	10,412	621	855
Palm oil	lb	36,367	27,696	2,482	1,906
Peanut	lb	288	400	34	52
Soybean	lb	3,992	2,265	219	142
Castor beans	lb	5,956	27,644	268	958
Copra	lb	69,052	88,246	3,178	4,019
Flaxseed	lb	2,504	2,552	4,610	4,786
Seeds, except oilseeds	c/		c/	772	1,044
Spices, total	lb	15,137	13,035	2,705	2,268
Sugar, cane	s. ton	751	591	44,704	32,023
Tea	lb	15,468	15,096	5,072	4,692
Tobacco, leaf, unmanufactured	lb	8,496	6,682	7,694	6,655
VEGETABLES:					
Beans, dried	lb	23,269	23,559	768	1,186
Peas, dried	lb	1,726	1,353	56	50
Garlic	lb	620	1,412	38	68
Onions	lb	13,948	9,671	276	187
Potatoes, white	bu	82	3	87	4
Vegetables, canned	lb	6,298	4,872	421	370
Drugs, herbs, roots, etc.	lb	22,870	21,474	1,075	1,705
FIBERS, VEGETABLE:					
Flax, unmanufactured	ton	a/	1	216	655
Hemp, unmanufactured	ton	1	1	292	168
Jute and jute butts, unmanufactured	ton	6	12	660	1,583
Kapok	ton	1	a/	628	122
Manila	ton	8	7	2,138	1,280
Sisal and henequen	ton	22	14	3,150	2,107
Hay	ton	8	5	81	45
FOREST PRODUCTS					
Dyeing & tanning materials ..	c/		c/	1,864	1,442
Gums, resins, balsams, etc.	c/		c/	4,502	4,863
Rubber, crude	lb	157,392	139,175	58,075	26,875
Wood, total				15,566	12,663
GRAND TOTAL				359,598	327,850

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a/ Less than 500. b/ Not separately classified. c/ Reported in value only.

DAIRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTS: Foreign trade of the United States, July-August, 1927 and 1928

Item and country	July-August		August	
	1927	1928	1927	1928
BUTTER:	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Exports-	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
Total Europe	a/	0	a/	0
Mexico	134	99	77	51
Panama	69	50	31	34
Haitian Republic	68	95	36	56
Cuba	60	68	18	26
Other West Indies	80	54	37	25
Peru	41	88	28	42
Other South America ..	55	66	29	40
Philippine Islands ...	25	17	14	8
Honduras	23	22	12	12
Canada	1	1	1	a/
Other countries	68	65	35	39
Total exports	624	625	318	333
Imports-				
Denmark & Faroe Is. ..	216	207	67	127
United Kingdom	39	0	35	0
Other Europe	8	14	6	12
Total Europe	263	221	108	139
New Zealand	248	100	69	0
Canada	53	49	26	15
Other countries	8	4	5	2
Total imports	572	374	208	156
CASEIN:				
Imports-				
Argentina	2,567	4,210	878	2,195
France	1,091	466	673	246
Germany	60	867	4	520
Other countries	114	345	101	282
Total imports	3,832	5,888	1,656	3,253
CHEESE:				
Exports-				
Total Europe	13	1	a/	1
Panama	97	20	57	35
Other Central America	47	52	26	25
Mexico	82	45	22	19
Cuba	61	75	39	55
Other West Indies	49	44	23	23
Canada	49	23	24	15
South America	27	27	13	15
China	24	7	23	5
Other countries	33	33	18	22
Total exports	482	387	251	215

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DAIRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTS: Foreign trade of the United States, July-August, 1927 and 1928, continued

Item and country	July-August		August	
	1927	1928	1927	1928
CHEESE AND CHEESE SUBSTITUTES:	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
Imports-				
Italy	3,408	3,442	1,457	1,562
Switzerland	2,526	3,769	548	2,115
Netherlands	650	668	399	318
France	420	1,125	120	457
Finland	236	26	88	51
Greece	203	17	48	15
Germany	93	205	56	167
Denmark	79	87	31	51
Norway	66	110	24	51
Other Europe	102	123	5	11
Total Europe	7,783	9,632	2,776	4,798
Canada	1,297	1,881	623	783
Argentina	128	12	17	12
Other countries	25	9	14	4
Total imports	9,933	11,534	3,430	5,597
OIL MARGARINE, ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE:				
Exports-				
Panama	66	49	46	25
West Indies	36	42	17	23
Argentina	23	0	23	0
Newfoundland & Labrador .	19	0	19	0
Canada	0	0	0	0
Other countries	6	2	5 a/	
Total exports	150	93	110	48
MILK AND CREAM, CONDENSED:				
Exports-				
Total Europe	23	25	9	25
Cuba	1,688	1,596	854	828
Philippine Islands	1,562	1,387	1,030	757
Japan	271	750	543	532
Hongkong	576	564	270	300
China	336	486	336	315
Panama	247	616	84	97
Other Central America .	196	252	78	113
Mexico	172	151	54	102
Other countries	477	441	274	177
Total exports	6,248	6,253	3,532	3,246

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DAIRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTS: Foreign trade of the United States, July-August, 1927 and 1928, continued

Item and country	July-August		August	
	1927	1928	1927	1928
MILK & CREAM, EVAPORATED:				
Exports--	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
United Kingdom	3,512	4,094	1,230	2,382
Belgium	63	15	31	15
Germany	10	0	10	0
Other Europe	57	23	14	8
Total Europe	3,642	4,135	1,285	2,405
Philippine Islands	2,250	1,653	1,001	1,276
Panama	569	996	183	192
Peru	548	595	297	346
Other South America	244	323	109	102
Mexico	503	255	216	87
China	493	610	282	462
British Malaya	340	465	183	210
Hongkong	332	337	164	157
Japan	302	212	52	177
Cuba	203	377	12	145
Newfoundland & Labrador ..	133	161	47	60
Canada	22	195	0	83
Other countries	946	1,158	408	641
Total exports	10,565	11,522	4,239	6,343
MILK AND CREAM, POWDERED:				
Exports--				
Italy	20	49	20	42
United Kingdom	9	15	8	8
Germany	1	42	a/	1
France	0	54	0	25
Other Europe	13	226	11	199
Total Europe	43	386	39	275
Cuba	53	12	16	6
Japan, incl. Chosen	52	37	20	25
Panama	46	84	21	13
Other Central America ..	26	38	14	17
Venezuela	41	34	25	19
Colombia	25	35	14	17
Other South America	57	54	39	36
Mexico	34	69	12	49
China	12	72	8	34
Canada	10	8	4	2
Other countries	46	55	26	28
Total exports	478	884	238	526

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DAIRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTS: Foreign trade of the United States, July-August, 1927 and 1928, continued

Item and country	July-August		August	
	1927	1928	1927	1928
MILK AND CREAM, POWDERED, CONTINUED:	1,000 <u>pounds</u>	1,000 <u>pounds</u>	1,000 <u>pounds</u>	1,000 <u>pounds</u>
Imports- b/				
Netherlands	1,172	276	647	111
Other Europe	16	2	5	a/
Total Europe	1,188	278	652	111
Canada	1,170	770	781	127
Other countries	1	a/	1	0
Total imports	2,359	1,048	1,434	538
MILK, CONDENSED, SWEETENED:				
Imports-				
Netherlands	180	79	4	58
Canada	33	191	38	191
Denmark & Faroe Islands.	14	8	10	0
Other countries	0	a/	0	a/
Total imports	232	273	52	249
MILK, EVAPORATED, UNSWEETENED:				
Imports-				
Netherlands	147	194	129	43
Canada	a/	a/	a/	a/
Other countries	51	0	50	0
Total imports	198	194	178	43
EGGS IN THE SHELL:	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Exports-	<u>dozen</u>	<u>dozen</u>	<u>dozen</u>	<u>dozen</u>
United Kingdom	45	298	45	298
Other Europe	0	a/	0	0
Total Europe	45	298	45	298
Cuba	2,085	1,247	959	676
Mexico	1,072	672	575	386
Panama	234	294	131	159
Canada	158	137	154	124
Honduras	24	31	13	15
Argentina	15	0	0	0
Other South America	24	36	14	17
Bermuda	14	17	6	9
Other countries	33	47	19	24
Total exports	5,704	2,781	1,913	1,708

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DAIRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTS: Foreign trade of the United States,
July-August, 1927 and 1928; continued

Item and country	July-August		August	
	1927	1928	1927	1928
EGGS IN THE SHELL, CONT'D:	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Imports-	<u>dozen</u>	<u>dozen</u>	<u>dozen</u>	<u>dozen</u>
Hongkong	21	20	10	10
Canada	2	1	1	1
China	1	1	a/	1
Other countries	a/	3	a/	1
Total imports	24	25	11	13
EGGS AND EGG YOLKS, DRIED, FROZEN OR PREPARED:	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Exports-	<u>pounds</u>	<u>pounds</u>	<u>pounds</u>	<u>pounds</u>
Total Europe	51	122	a/	a/
Canada	145	18	67	10
Cuba	1	0	0	0
Other countries	6	3	1	2
Total exports	203	143	68	12
EGGS, WHOLE, DRIED:				
Imports-				
China	51	1,130	51	22
United Kingdom	0	0	0	0
Other countries	0	0	0	0
Total imports	51	1,130	51	22
EGGS, WHOLE, FROZEN OR OTHERWISE PREPARED:				
Imports-				
China	185	9,365	28	344
United Kingdom	0	220	0	83
Other countries	1	1	1	1
Total imports	186	10,286	29	428
EGG YOLKS, DRIED:				
Imports-				
China	763	1,233	438	572
Other countries	7	22	7	12
Total imports	770	1,255	445	584
EGG YOLKS, FROZEN OR OTHERWISE PREPARED:				
Imports-				
China	12	1,304	0	423
United Kingdom	0	492	0	13
Other countries	0	115	0	59
Total imports	12	1,911	0	505

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DAIRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTS: Foreign trade of the United States,
July-August, 1927 and 1928, continued

Item and country	July-August		August	
	1927	1928	1927	1928
EGG ALBUMEN, DRIED	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Imports-	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
China.....	740	571	452	250
Other countries.....	13	0	7	0
Total imports.....	753	571	459	250
EGG ALBUMEN, FROZEN OR OTHER- WISE PREPARED:				
Imports-				
China.....	137	540	137	0
Other countries.....	0	3	0	3
Total imports.....	137	543	137	3

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a/ Less than 500. b/ Includes cream, powdered, malted, etc.

COTTON: Area in countries reporting for 1928-29, with comparisons

Country	Average 1909-10 to 1913-14	1926-27	1927-28	1928-29	Per cent 1928-29 is of 1927-28
	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	Per cent
United States...	34,152	47,087	40,138	44,916	111.9
India a/.....	11,471	14,739	15,156	15,196	100.3
Egypt.....	1,743	1,854	1,574	1,805	114.7
Russia.....	1,569	1,731	1,984	2,250	113.4
Chosen.....	146	529	502	505	100.6
Bulgaria.....	2	7	13	15	115.4
Total above countries....	49,083	65,947	59,367	64,637	109.0
Est. world total excl. China.....	62,500	80,900	72,800		

Official sources and International Institute of Agriculture except as otherwise stated.

a/ First estimate which includes only area planted up to August 1.

SUGAR (RAW): World production, average 1909-10 to 1913-14, annual
1924-25 - 1927-28

Country a/	Average 1909-10 to 1913-14 b/	1924-25	1925-26	1926-27	1927-28	Percent 1927-28 is of 1926-27
BEET SUGAR	Short tons	Short tons	Short tons	Short tons	Short tons	Percent
United States c/	655,000	1,172,000	981,000	964,000	1,175,000	121.9
Total N. America (2)	666,782	1,220,733	1,022,375	1,003,994	1,209,000	120.4
Europe, 21 count. prev. rept'd	8,040,111	7,388,053	7,716,999	7,211,022	8,356,970	115.9
Spain	115,727	280,908	266,955	239,097	208,458	87.2
Total Europe (22) ..	8,155,838	7,668,961	7,983,954	7,450,119	8,567,428	115.0
Australia	1,030	3,379	2,593	1,299	2,000	154.0
World total d/	8,823,650	8,893,073	9,008,923	8,455,412	9,778,428	115.6
CANE SUGAR						
North & Central Amer. count. & W. Indies prev. rept'd (12) ...	2,698,054	6,596,885	6,394,982	5,896,286	5,412,181	91.8
United States, Louisi- ana	302,150	88,483	139,381	47,166	70,792	150.1
Hawaii	567,495	769,000	787,246	811,333 e/	882,560	108.8
Porto Rico	361,974	660,411	603,240	629,134	748,677	119.0
Trinidad	51,275	77,983	82,388	58,220	91,337	156.9
Guadeloupe	40,810	43,000	36,958	39,954	37,477	93.8
Total N. & Central America & West Indies (17)	4,021,758	8,235,762	8,044,195	7,482,093	7,243,024	96.8
Total Europe & Asia (5)	4,447,125	5,703,024	6,530,843	6,400,911	6,948,725	108.6
South America 6 count. prev. rept'd	751,895	1,589,691	1,804,531	1,826,924	1,585,151	86.8
British Guiana	f/ 112,297	101,780	120,490	109,930	128,362	116.8
Total S. America (7)	864,192	1,691,471	1,925,021	1,936,854	1,713,513	88.5
Total Africa (6) ...	457,076	508,010	716,344	660,753	724,308	109.6
Oceania -						
Australia	216,331	478,606	580,126	465,105	552,204	118.7
Fiji	84,629	71,477	113,000 e/	96,688 e/	106,000	109.6
Total Oceania (2) .	300,960	550,083	693,126	561,793	658,204	117.2
Total above 37 co.	10,091,111	16,788,350	17,909,529	17,042,404	17,287,844	101.4
Est.world total d/	10,544,000	17,778,000	18,718,000	17,954,000	18,209,000	101.4
Est.world total beet & cane d/ ..	19,367,000	26,571,000	27,727,000	26,409,000	27,987,000	106.0

Official sources and International Institute of Agriculture unless otherwise stated.
a/ Figures in parenthesis indicate the number of countries included. b/ Figures for
Europe are estimates for production within present boundaries. c/ Refined sugar in
terms of raw. d/ Exclusive of production in minor producing countries for which no
data are available. e/ Unofficial estimate. f/ Three-year average.

BREAD GRAINS: Acreage, average 1909-1913, annual 1925-1928

Crop and countries reported in 1928 a/	Average 1909-1913	1925	1926	1927	1928	Percent 1928 is of 1927
WHEAT	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	Percent
United States.....	47,097	52,255	56,377	55,583	57,750	98.6
Canada.....	9,945	30,790	22,826	22,460	24,115	107.4
North America (3).....	59,216	74,175	80,512	82,354	83,117	100.9
Europe (22).....	71,978	66,505	68,568	67,735	68,011	100.4
Africa (5).....	6,596	7,940	8,294	7,225	7,715	106.8
Asia (4).....	30,124	33,057	31,749	32,497	33,255	102.3
Total N. Hemis. (34)	167,014	181,677	187,060	189,511	192,073	101.2
Argentina.....	16,051	19,197	19,274	19,714	20,737	105.3
Total above count. (35)	168,065	200,974	206,334	219,525	212,835	97.4
Russia b/.....		18,008	21,141	27,557	27,794	102.7
Est. N. Hemis. excl. Russia and China..	177,500	182,700	197,100	199,300		
Est. world total excl. Russia and China...	204,200	223,500	231,000	234,700		
RYE						
United States.....	2,235	3,274	3,578	3,690	3,535	95.8
Canada.....	117	625	754	743	840	113.1
Europe (21).....	42,802	39,065	37,539	37,531	36,684	97.7
Total N. Hemis. (23)	45,155	42,964	41,871	41,964	41,059	97.8
Argentina.....	85	501	544	895	1,155	129.1
Total above count. (24)	45,240	43,465	42,415	42,859	42,214	98.5
Russia b/.....		37,609	61,645	68,297	67,423	98.7
Est. N. Hemis. excl. Russia and China..	48,000	45,700	44,800	45,000		
Est. world total excl. Russia and China..	48,300	45,300	45,500	46,100		

a/ Figures in parenthesis indicate the number of countries included.

b/ Winter acreage only.

BREAD GRAINS: Production, average 1909-1913, annual 1925-1928

Crop and countries reported in 1923 <u>a/</u>	Average 1909-1913	1925	1926	1927	1928	Percent 1928 is of 1927
WHEAT	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	Percent
United States.....	690,108	676,429	831,040	872,595	901,072	103.3
Canada	137,119	395,475	407,136	440,025	550,482	125.1
North America (3).....	826,708	1,061,117	1,248,509	1,324,510	1,462,886	110.4
Europe, 19 count. prev. rept'd.....	1,143,386	1,192,493	1,031,720	1,061,243	1,164,038	103.7
England and Wales, rev.	55,770	50,773	48,683	53,116	45,360	85.4
Germany, revised.....	131,274	118,213	95,429	120,522	126,463	104.9
Total Europe (21)	1,327,730	1,327,359	1,175,832	1,234,881	1,335,861	108.2
Africa (4)	55,385	50,505	52,930	61,428	64,415	104.9
Asia (3).....	585,827	371,047	363,598	375,370	331,308	88.3
Total above count.(31)	2,669,130	2,882,458	2,840,869	2,996,189	3,194,470	106.6
Est. N. Hemis. total ex. R. and C.	2,759,000	3,026,000	2,981,000	3,136,000		
Est. world total ex. R. and C.	3,041,000	3,369,000	3,421,000	3,539,000		
RYE						
United States	36,093	46,456	40,795	58,811	43,274	73.6
Canada	2,004	9,158	12,179	14,951	16,879	112.9
North America (2).....	38,187	55,614	52,974	73,762	60,153	81.6
Europe, 17 count. prev. rept'd.....	420,291	515,132	415,610	447,992	476,176	106.3
Germany.....	362,357	317,418	252,187	265,025	303,280	112.7
Total Europe (18).....	858,628	832,510	667,797	717,017	779,456	108.7
Total above count.(20)	896,815	868,224	720,771	790,779	839,609	106.2
Est. N. Hemis. total ex. R. and C.	1,033,000	1,000,000	807,000	878,000		
Est. world total ex. R. and C.	1,033,000	1,007,000	812,000	887,000		

a/ Figures in parenthesis indicate the number of countries included. Russia and China abbreviated R. and C.

FEED GRAINS: Acreage, average 1909-1913, annual
1925-1928

Crop and countries reported in 1928 a/	Average 1909- 1913	1925	1926	1927	1928	Percent 1928 is of 1927
	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	Percent
BARLEY						
California	1,362	1,050	1,080	994	1,083	109.0
United States other than California	6,258	6,947	6,890	8,460	11,160	131.9
Canada	1,574	3,524	3,647	3,506	4,380	139.2
North America (2)	9,194	11,521	11,617	12,960	17,123	132.1
Europe, 21 count. prev. rept'd. & unchanged ...	17,877	18,115	17,770	18,144	18,251	100.6
Germany, revised	3,464	3,545	3,671	3,653	3,750	102.7
Total Europe (22)	23,341	21,660	21,441	21,797	22,001	100.9
Est. European total excl. Russia	27,000	27,300	27,200	27,600		
Africa (5)	8,138	8,559	8,615	7,005	7,513	107.3
Asia (6)	450	631	601	655	891	136.0
Total N. Hemis. (32)	39,178	42,471	42,375	42,417	47,533	112.1
Argentina, revised	230	900	379	1,186	1,277	107.7
Total above count. (33)	32,048	43,371	43,251	43,603	48,810	111.9
Est. N. Hemis. total excl. Russia & China	64,200	65,200	64,300	63,100		
Est. world total excl. Russia and China ...	65,000	67,000	66,100	65,000		
OATS						
United States	37,357	44,372	44,177	42,029	41,974	99.9
Canada	9,597	12,556	12,741	13,240	13,135	99.2
North America (2)	46,954	57,428	56,918	55,269	55,109	99.7
Europe, 19 count. prev. rept'd & unchanged ..	27,188	25,625	25,931	25,219	25,236	100.1
Germany, revised	9,529	8,531	8,590	8,539	8,682	101.1
Total Europe (20)	36,717	34,156	34,521	33,758	33,918	100.3
Est. European total Excl. Russia	49,400	46,200	46,500	45,700		
Africa (3)	607	780	773	383	735	107.6
Asia (3)	12	24	60	65	28	43.1
Total N. Hemis. (28) .	34,290	92,388	92,275	89,225	89,790	100.0
Argentina, revised	2,336	3,194	3,171	3,150	3,529	113.9
Total above count. (29)	36,626	95,582	95,446	92,375	93,319	100.4
Est. N. Hemis. total excl. Russia & China	37,700	105,200	105,100	102,300		
Est. world total excl. Russia and China ...	102,200	110,800	110,200	107,300		

a/ Figures in parenthesis indicate the number of countries included.

**FEED GRAINS: Acreage and production, average 1909-1913,
annual 1925 - 1928**

Crop and countries reported in 1928 ^{a/}	Average 1909-1913	1925	1926	1927	1928	Percent 1928 is of 1927
CORN	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	Percent
ACREAGE -	<u>acres</u>	<u>acres</u>	<u>acres</u>	<u>acres</u>	<u>acres</u>	
United States.....	104,229	101,359	99,713	93,868	102,380	103.6
Canada.....	509	239	210	132	139	105.3
North America (2).....	104,533	101,528	99,923	99,000	102,519	103.6
Europe (6).....	14,867	15,125	15,402	15,970	16,423	103.2
Est. European total						
excl. Russia.....	26,400	26,900	25,700	23,100		
Africa (2).....	481	571	616	564	793	140.6
Asia (2).....	(49)	38	40	40	40	100.0
Total N. Hemis. (12)...	119,926	117,402	115,981	115,574	119,835	103.7
Est. N. Hemis. total						
excl. Russia.....	152,000	150,500	152,000	142,600		
Est. world total excl. Russia.....	171,900	172,900	169,700	179,600		
CORN	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	
PRODUCTION -	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	Per cent
United States.....	2,712,364	2,916,961	2,692,217	2,773,708	2,930,586	105.7
Canada.....	17,297	10,564	7,813	4,262	5,732	134.5
North America (2).....	2,729,661	2,927,525	2,700,030	2,777,970	2,936,318	105.7
Europe, 4 count. prev. rept'd. & unchanged	227,997	201,784	277,386	171,615	175,700	102.4
Hungary, revised.....	60,813	37,971	76,548	68,347	45,049	65.9
Total Europe (5).....	288,810	239,755	353,934	239,962	220,749	92.0
Est. European total						
excl. Russia.....	581,000	623,000	662,000	492,000		
Total N. Hemis. (7).....	3,018,471	3,217,280	3,053,964	3,017,932	3,157,067	104.5
Est. N. Hemis. total						
excl. Russia.....	3,681,000	3,903,000	3,727,000	3,638,000		
Est. world total excl. Russia.....	4,126,000	4,522,000	4,423,000	4,311,000		

^{a/} Figures in parenthesis indicate the number of countries included.

Feed Grains: Production, average 1909-1915, annual 1925-1928.

Crop and countries reported in 1928 a/	Average 1909-1915	1925	1926	1927	1928	Percent 1928 is of 1927
BARLEY	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>Percent</u>
California.....	37,630	32,550	32,400	27,335	33,032	120.8
United States other than California...	147,122	181,513	152,505	237,057	312,395	132.0
Canada.....	45,275	87,118	99,987	96,978	144,875	149.5
North America (2)...	230,037	300,981	284,892	361,350	490,302	135.9
Europe, 18 coun. prev. rept'd & unchanged.	290,483	393,047	408,022	333,600	435,755	110.7
England and Wales rev.	50,658	47,133	42,761	40,227	44,547	111.5
Germany, revised....	133,737	119,373	113,102	125,750	134,782	107.2
Total Europe (20)...	574,928	559,553	563,885	559,576	615,284	110.0
Est. European total ex. Russia.....	701,000	682,000	690,000	681,000		
Africa (4).....	95,600	94,839	57,257	72,874	90,438	124.1
Asia (3).....	128,547	133,071	127,305	107,630	105,297	98.6
Total N. Hemis. (29)...	1,029,162	1,086,464	1,083,339	1,101,420	1,303,021	118.3
Est. N. Hemis. total ex. Russia & China...	1,407,000	1,456,000	1,402,000	1,465,000		
Est. world total ex. Russia and China...	1,425,000	1,492,000	1,438,000	1,493,000		
OATS						
United States.....	1,143,407	1,487,550	1,246,842	1,184,146	1,453,820	122.8
Canada.....	351,690	402,296	383,416	439,713	474,242	107.9
North America (2)...	1,495,097	1,889,846	1,630,258	1,623,859	1,928,071	119.7
Europe 16 coun. prev. rept'd and unchanged	614,168	658,324	685,104	669,737	704,204	105.1
England & Wales rev.	96,813	96,600	104,324	94,080	95,480	101.5
Germany, revised....	527,177	384,740	435,722	437,249	426,007	97.4
Hungary, revised....	23,464	25,532	24,802	22,514	23,238	103.2
Total Europe (19)...	1,256,723	1,165,196	1,249,852	1,223,576	1,248,929	102.1
Est. European total ex. Russia.....	1,931,000	1,792,000	1,921,000	1,848,000		
Africa (3).....	17,631	19,509	11,455	13,968	15,225	116.2
Lebanon Republic....	(30)	62	52	52	41	78.8
Total N. Hemis. (25)...	2,779,481	3,074,613	2,891,623	2,861,452	3,123,266	111.6
Est. N. Hemis. total ex. Russia and China...	3,474,000	3,729,000	3,592,000	3,515,000		
Est. world total ex. Russia and China...	3,581,000	3,848,000	3,699,000	3,610,000		

a/ Figures in parenthesis indicate the number of countries included.

FEED GRAINS: Movement from principal exporting countries

Item	Net exports for year		Shipments 1928 week ended <u>a/</u>			Net movement as far as reported		
	1926-27	1927-28	Sept. 8	Sept. 15	Sept. 22	July 1 to and incl.	1927-28	1928-29
BARLEY, EXPORTS:								
Year beginning July 1	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels		1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
United States ..	17,044	36,580	3,318	2,618	3,363	Sept. 22	10,283	19,821
Canada	42,533	25,131				Aug. 31	2,707	3,764
Argentina	14,217	b/11,192	0			Sept. 8	b/1,123	b/ 100
Danubian coun. b/	26,508	27,242	1,442			Sept. 8	8,750	5,442
Total	100,302	100,145					22,873	29,127
OATS, EXPORTS:								
Year beginning July 1								
United States ..	15,041	9,823	412	773	756	Sept. 22	3,047	4,797
Canada	13,796	10,120				Aug. 31	901	7,092
Argentina	40,008	b/29,455	0			Sept. 8	b/5,158	b/ 351
Danubian count. b/	858	878	0			Sept. 8	58	0
Total	69,703	50,336					9,164	12,236
	Net exports for year		Weekly <u>a/</u> shipments, 1928 week ending				Total for season incl. latest week shown	
	1926-27	1926-27	Sept. 1	Sept. 8	Sept. 15	Sept. 22	1926-27	1927-28
CORN, EXPORTS:								
Year beginning November 1	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
United States ...	25,533	17,161	209	152	59	63	16,454	19,230
Danubian count. c/	68,529	82,500	0	b/ 103			35,760	15,094
Argentina	169,801	322,876	b/5,983	b/7,204	b/3,098	b/6,177	282,467	240,281
Union of S. Africa	18,833	3,562	e/1,586	e/1,843			e/5,386	e/19,371
IMPORTS:								
Year beginning November 1							Nov.- August	Nov.- August
United States ..	576	5,040					2,826	1,334
Total exports less U.S. imports	232,120	425,059					341,441	292,710

Compiled from official and trade sources. a/ The weeks shown in these columns do not all end on the same day, but are nearest to the date shown. b/ Trade sources. c/ Rumania, Yugoslavia and Hungary. d/ Trade sources since March. e/ Unofficial reports of exports to Europe for South and East Africa.

AUSTRIA: Production of specified grains and net imports of
wheat, 1922 to 1928

Year	Wheat		Rye produc- tion	Barley produc- tion	Oats produc- tion
	Produc- tion	Net imports			
	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
1922	7,422	12,913	13,589	5,593	18,317
1923	8,989	17,251	15,836	7,855	25,861
1924	8,490	16,152	16,189	7,208	22,112
1925	10,671	14,651	21,656	9,217	26,761
1926	9,458	16,799	18,712	9,074	29,955
1927	11,942	a/ 15,000	19,311	10,934	30,231
1928 a/	12,309		19,251	11,988	28,591

a/ Preliminary.

LITHUANIA: Production of specified grains 1922-1928

Year	Wheat	Rye	Barley	Oats
	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
1922	3,405	25,419	10,969	30,457
1923	2,965	23,833	7,957	22,776
1924	3,319	18,294	9,317	23,155
1925	5,235	26,117	11,251	20,849
1926	4,180	13,810	11,430	30,182
1927	5,273	21,182	8,630	23,851
1928 a/	6,831	19,093	7,349	10,566

a/ Preliminary.

GRAINS: Exports from the United States, July 1-September 22, 1927 and 1928

PORK: Exports from the United States, January 1-September 22, 1927 and 1928

Commodity	July 1-Sept. 22		1928, week ending			
	1927	1928	Sept. 1	Sept. 8	Sept. 15	Sept. 22
GRAINS:	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels
Wheat <u>a/</u>	53,884	26,983	2,782	3,205	4,496	4,563
Wheat flour <u>b/</u> ..	12,657	10,176	926	653	728	1,372
Rye	6,079	2,653	222	587	609	579
Corn	1,435	2,003	309	152	59	62
Oats	2,427	4,451	1,285	418	773	756
Barley <u>a/</u>	10,646	19,926	3,076	3,318	2,618	3,363
PORK:	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
Ham & Shoulders, inc. Wilt. sides .	92,484	101,132	1,343	1,077	1,244	1,696
Bacon, inc. Cumber- land sides	84,349	98,504	1,915	1,408	1,649	1,749
Lard	503,298	526,650	11,509	6,766	9,897	10,361
Pickled pork	21,284	23,533	419	475	463	266

Compiled from official records of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce.

a/ Including via Pacific ports this week; wheat 1,283,000 bushels, flour 87,600 barrels. Barley from San Francisco 100,000. b/ Includes flour milled in bond from Canadian wheat. In terms of bushels of wheat.

WHEAT, INCLUDING FLOUR: Shipments from principal exporting countries.

Country	Net exports for years		Shipments 1928, week ending <u>a/</u>				Net movement from July as far as reported	
	1926-27	1927-28 <u>b/</u>	Sept. 8	Sept. 15	Sept. 22	To & incl	1927-28	1928-29
Canada:	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000		1,000	1,000
Exports-	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels		bushels	bushels
Official ...	304,540	305,000				Aug. 31	c/23,150	c/65,165
5 ports, Brad. c	177,370	238,730	5,224	8,541	7,948	Sept. 22	36,385	75,857
Shipments-								
4 markets <u>d/</u>	c297,961	c326,361	1,233	3,410	6,841	Sept. 22	37,969	87,735
Pub. elev. in east <u>c/</u>			5,726	5,428	<u>a/</u>	Sept. 15	52,685	65,276
United States ...	205,896	190,927	3,858	5,224	5,940	Sept. 22	f/65,224	f/33,201
Argentina	139,790	186,000	1,328	1,451	2,664	Sept. 22	19,154	21,297
Australia	96,584	74,000	696	1,024	280	Sept. 22	15,444	12,508
Russia	49,202	7,000	0	0	0	Sept. 22	712	8
Hungary	21,142	22,133						
Yugoslavia	10,213	1,000						
Rumania	11,388	5,000	32	96	152	Sept. 22	2,080	464
Bulgaria	2,236	2,000						
British India ...	3,660	12,264	0	0	0	Sept. 22	6,952	1,040
Total	949,654	805,324	7,207	11,205	15,877		147,535	156,253

Compiled from official and trade sources. A/ The weeks in this column do not all end on the same day, but are nearest the date shown. b/ Preliminary.

c/ Excluded from total. d/ Total shipments from Ft. William, Port Arthur, Vancouver and Prince Rupert. e/ Not available. f/ Exports through September 22 less imports through August.

BUTTER: Prices in London, Berlin, Copenhagen and New York, in cents per pound
(Foreign prices by weekly cable)

Market and Item	September 29, 1927	September 20, 1928	September 27, 1928
	Cents	Cents	Cents
New York, 92 score	49.00	48.25	48.00
Copenhagen, official quotation ..	39.67	40.85	40.12
Berlin, 1a quality	42.36	41.49	41.49
London: <u>a/</u>			
Danish	42.36	42.91	42.47
Dutch, unsalted	42.80	41.93	41.93
New Zealand	39.11	39.76	39.76
New Zealand, unsalted	40.63	40.84	41.50
Australian	38.67	37.57	37.15
Australian, unsalted	39.54	39.76	40.19
Argentine, unsalted	36.50	36.02	37.58
Siberian	34.76	34.98	34.98

Quotations converted at par of exchange. a/ Quotations of following day.

EUROPEAN LIVESTOCK AND MEAT MARKETS
(By weekly cable)

Market and Item	Unit	Week ending		
		Sept. 23, 1927	Sept. 19, 1928	Sept. 26, 1928
GERMANY:				
Receipts of hogs, 14 markets...	Number	75,218	76,082	72,265
Prices of hogs, Berlin.....	\$ per 100 lbs.	14.25	15.77	14.96
Prices of lard, tcs., Hamburg	"	14.94	15.52	15.13
UNITED KINGDOM AND IRELAND:				
Hogs, certain markets, England	Number	13,664	12,510	13,289
Hogs, purchases, Ireland.....	"	27,418	26,045	
Prices at Liverpool:				
American Wiltshire sides ...	\$ per 100 lbs.	<u>a/</u>	<u>a/</u>	<u>a/</u>
Canadian " " ...	"	<u>a/</u>	<u>a/</u>	<u>a/</u>
Danish " " ...	"	22.61	24.55	24.33

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